



Store sharps in approved biohazard containers only; milk jugs and plastic coffee cans are unsafe as these items are not puncture resistant.

Sharps containers are sold at the Alachua County Health Department for \$4.00 each.



Great idea #1:

If you are unsure about the proper way to dispose of biomedical waste- contact the health department!



Great idea #2:

Always include your name, address and phone number on containers.



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Individual Sharps Disposal Program & Biomedical Waste Drop Sites



Keeping Our Community Healthy!



What is the Individual Sharps Disposal Program (ISDP)?

The ISDP is designed to provide individuals who use sharps at home a place for proper disposal for **free**. The ISDP is not for commercial use. Commercial waste generators are required to have an operating permit from the Alachua County Health Department (ACHD) per Chapter 64E-16, Florida Administrative Code and 381.006, 381.0098 FS. Law. Please contact the ACHD for additional permitting information.

What is Biomedical Waste?

In general, biomedical waste is any solid or liquid waste which may present a threat of infection to humans, including non-liquid tissue, body parts, blood, blood products of infection to humans, including, and body fluids from humans and other primates; laboratory and veterinary wastes which contain human disease-causing agents; and discarded sharps.

All biomedical waste must be properly stored and contained prior to pick-up, delivery and disposal.

Additional information can be found at the State of Florida, Department of Health, Bureau of Community Health website at <http://www.myfloridaeh.com/community/biomedical/index.html>

Biomedical Waste Disposal Sites

The following locations are approved drop-off sites:

ALACHUA COUNTY FIRE STATION #12

1200 SE 43rd Street Gainesville FL

9:00 AM-4:00 PM

Monday-Sunday

ALACHUA COUNTY FIRE STATION #16

1600 Fort Clarke Blvd. Gainesville FL

9:00 AM-4:00 PM

Monday-Sunday

ALACHUA COUNTY FIRE STATION #19

1800 SW 43rd Street Gainesville FL

9:00AM-4:00PM

Monday-Sunday

ALACHUA COUNTY FIRE STATION # 21

13815 MLK Blvd City of Alachua

9:00AM-4:00PM

Monday-Sunday

ALACHUA COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY CENTRAL SUPPLY WAREHOUSE

5901 NW 34th Street Gainesville FL

(Enter this location from US 441)

8:00AM-4:00PM

Monday-Friday

ALACHUA COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

224 SE 24th Street, Gainesville, FL

7:30AM— 6:00PM

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

7:30AM—2:00PM

Wednesday

Sunday—Closed

ALACHUA CLINIC

15530 NW US Highway 441

STE 10030, Alachua, FL

8:00AM - 5:00PM

Monday - Friday

Saturday & Sunday - Closed

Remember!

Disposing of biomedical wastes improperly is a punishable offense by law.

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